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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

# PORTLAND DIVISION

DISABILITY RIGHTS OREGON. METROPOLITAN PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES, INC., and A.J. MADISON,

Plaintiffs,

V.

PATRICK ALLEN, in his official capacity as head of the Oregon Health Authority, and DOLORES MATTEUCCI, in her official capacity as Superintendent of the Oregon State Hospital,

Defemds

and

LEGACY EMANUEL HOSPITAL & HEALTH CENTER d/b/a UNITY CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LEGACY HEALTH SYSTEM, PEACEHEALTH, and PROVIDENCE HEALTH & SERVICES,

Intervenors.

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Case No. 3:21-cv-01637-MO (Member Case) Case No. 6:22-CV-01460-MC (Member Case)

Case No. 3:02-cv-00339-MO (Lead Case)

### DECLARATION OF DEREK WEHR

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v.

PATRICK ALLEN, in his official capacity as Director of Oregon Health Authority,

Defendant.

Case No. 6:22-CV-01460-MC (Member Case)

# I, Derek Wehr, hereby declare:

1. I am the Deputy Superintendent of the Oregon State Hospital (OSH) at its Salem campus. During my 29-year career with the State of Oregon, I have served OSH for 25 years in the following roles: Director of Performance Improvement, Forensic Unit Director, Psychiatric

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Social Worker, Transformation Leader, Community Outreach Specialist, Lean Leader, Mental Health Therapist, and Mental Health Therapy Technician. I hold a bachelor's degree in Psychology from Western Oregon University and a master's degree in Social Work from Portland State University.

- 2. I make this declaration based upon a combination of personal knowledge and in reliance upon records which are regularly maintained in the ordinary course of business.
- 3. My job duties include, among other things: (a) oversight of hospital occupancy management on both OSH campuses; (b) oversight of the OSH Admissions Department; (c) oversight of the six specialized programs on the OSH Salem and Junction City Campuses that govern 24 in-patient psychiatric units licensed as Hospital Level of Care and five behavioral health units licensed as Secure Residential Treatment Programs; and (d) serving as acting Superintendent of OSH when the current Superintendent is away from the office.
- 4. Three populations are served within OSH: (1) Civilly committed patients, people who have been found by the court to be an imminent danger to themselves or others, or who are unable to provide for their own basic health and safety needs due to their mental illness; (2) those found Guilty Except for Insanity (GEI) in a criminal case; and (3) aid-and-assist patients, people who have been arrested but are not able to participate in their defense because of a mental illness. Aid-and-assist patients have been ordered committed to OSH under ORS 161.370 (.370 orders) for stabilization and educational services that enable them to understand the criminal charges against them and thus to "aid and assist" in their own defense.
- 5. Between October 10-23, 2022, OSH admitted 42 patients (39 aid-and-assist and 2 GEI/PSRB) with an average wait time of 30.3 days for the 39 aid-and-assist patients and 31.7 days for the 3 GEI/PSRB patient. As of October 24, 2022, 91 patients (86 aid-and-assist and 5

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GEI/PSRB) were on the admission list.

6. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a graph depicting the increase in .370 orders between

2012 and September 2022.

7. I understand that this Court has entered an Order at ECF No. 271 that limits the

length of inpatient restoration at OSH for a person ordered committed to OSH pursuant to ORS

161.370 as follows:

a. For patients whose most serious charge is a misdemeanor, the maximum

duration of commitment for restoration shall be the lesser of the maximum

permissible sentence for the underlying offense or 90 days;

b. For patients whose most serious charge is a felony, the maximum duration of

commitment for restoration shall be six (6) months, unless the felony is listed

in ORS 137.700(2) in which case the maximum duration of commitment for

restoration shall be one year.

8. Applying this Order in consultation with the neutral expert, the chart attached

hereto as Exhibit 2 chart depicts the discharge status of patients at OSH as of October 26, 2022:

As noted in Exhibit 2, of the 255 in "Cohort 1" still at OSH, 97 (38.0%) are already over their

restoration limit under this Court's Order at ECF No. 271. Also as noted in Exhibit 2, of the 154

discharged from Cohort 1 since September 1, 2022, only 7 (4.5%) discharged after meeting the

30-day Restoration Limit notice period under the order referenced in paragraph 7 above. The

other 147 patients discharged in the ordinary course (for example, through the ready to place

process under SB 295, upon a finding of able or never able, or at the end of their statutory end of

jurisdiction).

9. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a chart projecting compliance with the seven-day

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admission requirement under Mink with and without the length of inpatient restoration limits in this Court's Order at ECF No. 271.

- 10. I have reviewed the document entitled "Amicus Brief Regarding Judicial Authority Filed by Marion and Washington Counties" at ECF No. 290. On page 10, this document includes a chart entitled "OSH Average Daily Population by Month and Legal Status Type since 2000." ECF No. 290 at p. 10. Citing this document, Washington and Marion Counties assert that "it is clear that physical capacity to house additional patients currently in county jails without adequate mental health services appears to exist." ECF No. 290 at pp. 10-11. This assertion is incorrect.
- In October 2004, the OSH "system" had the highest number of licensed beds, 11. with a total of 777 beds. This total included the old Salem campus (649 beds), the old Portland campus (68 beds), and the old Blue Mountain Recovery Center (60 beds). None of those facilities currently exist.
- 12. In 2012, the old Salem campus was replaced by the new and current Salem campus. The current Salem campus opened with a lower bed capacity than the old Salem campus, with the new and current Salem campus having only 561 beds. The Blue Mountain Recovery Center was closed in 2014 and was not replaced. This resulted in a loss of 60 beds. The old Portland campus was replaced by the current Junction City campus in 2015. This increased bed capacity from 68 beds at the Old Portland campus to 144 beds at the current Junction City campus. The current OSH "system" includes the Salem and Junction City; together they have a total of 705 hospital level of care available beds. The attached Exhibit 4 reflects current bed capacity within the OSH system for those needing hospital level of care.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2004 and 2005 OSH was serving more patients than for which it had licensed beds.

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13. I also reviewed page 13 of the document at ECF No. 276 and the conclusions Washington and Marion counties ask this Court to draw from "Table 1" that appears on that page. The data in Table 1 are correct, but this filing draws an incorrect conclusion regarding the average days waiting to admission for those in jail under forensic admissions orders. The average days waiting value in Table 1 refers to all people *currently* waiting to be admitted (i.e., they are still in jail) and is not a good indication of how long patients actually wait to be admitted since they have not been admitted yet. The more accurate data element for understanding the wait time to admission for forensic persons in jail is the average days waited for all forensic patients who have been admitted to OSH where we know exactly how long each has waited prior to admission. This data is reflected in the chart below, which is current through September 2022:

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	Average Wait Time Prior to Admission						
Month	Aid & Assist	GEI/PSRB					
Jan-22	30.8	58.9					
Feb-22	42.7	35.3					
Mar-22	34.3	27.0					
Apr-22	25.1	24.0					
May-22	31.1	20.9					
Jun-22	34.6	21.1					
Jul-22	39.2	28.9					
Aug-22	34.6	23.1					
Sep-22	35.3	36.3					

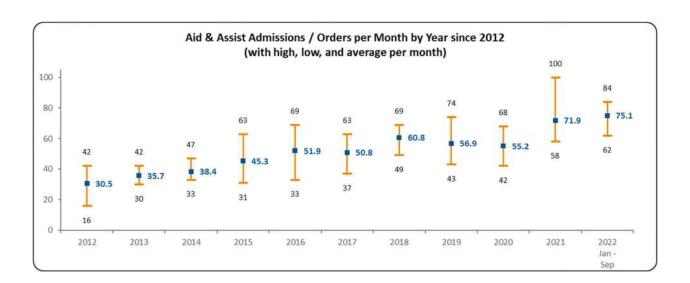
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED on November <u>27</u>, 2022.

<u>s/Derek Wehr</u> DEREK WEHR

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Restoration Limit Notice Outcomes				Discharge Reasons									
				(total since 9/1/2022)		(total since 9/1/2022)							
	At OSH	At OSH	Discharged Prior to Discharged After						Charges	Discharged After	End of		
	as of	as of	30-Day RL	Meeting 30-Day	Meeting 30-Day	Found	Found	Community	Dismissed	Meeting 30-Day	Statutory		Total
Cohort 1	9/1/2022	10/26/2022	Notices Sent	RL Notice Period	RL Notice Period	Able	Never Able	Restoration	or Released	RL Notice Period	Jurisdiction	Other	Discharged
Misdemeanor	85	34	35	16	5	14	2	21	6	5	3		51
Felony	217	139	24	6	2	41	8	24	3	2			78
Violent Felony	107	82				15	8		1		1		25
Total	409	255	59	22	7	70	18	45	10	7	4	0	154

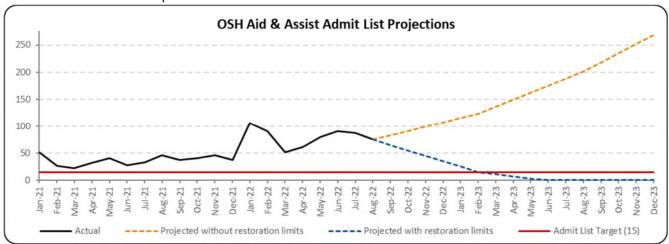
Restoration Limit Notice Outcomes					Discharge Reasons							
	(total since 9/1/2022)				(total since 9/1/2022)							
	Admitted	At OSH	Discharged Prior to Discharged After						Charges	Discharged After		
	since	as of	30-Day RL	Meeting 30-Day	Meeting 30-Day	Found	Found	Community	Dismissed	Meeting 30-Day		Total
Cohort 2	9/1/2022	10/26/2022	Notices Sent	RL Notice Period	RL Notice Period	Able	Never Able	Restoration	or Released	RL Notice Period	Other	Discharged
Misdemeanor	47	46						1				1
Felony	81	79				2						2
Violent Felony	16	16										0
Total	144	141	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	3

### Projections with and without Plaintiffs' proposed order regarding length of restoration

	No	Changes to Ci	urrent Practice	S	Implement Restoration Limits Starting Sep 2022					
	Est. New	Est.		Est. Admit	Est. New	Est.		Est. Admit		
Month	Orders <sup>1</sup>	Discharges <sup>2</sup>	Difference	List Count <sup>3</sup>	Orders <sup>1</sup>	Discharges <sup>4</sup>	Difference	List Count <sup>3</sup>		
Sep-22	74	66	+8	83	74	84	-10	65		
Oct-22	74	66	+8	91	74	84	-10	55		
Nov-22	74	66	+8	99	74	84	-10	45		
Dec-22	74	66	+8	107	74	84	-10	35		
Jan-23	74	66	+8	115	74	84	-10	25		
Feb-23	74	66	+8	123	74	84	-10	15		
Mar-23	79	66	+13	136	79	83	-4	11		
Apr-23	79	66	+13	149	79	83	-4	7		
May-23	79	66	+13	162	79	83	-4	3		
Jun-23	79	66	+13	175	79	83	-4	0		
Jul-23	79	66	+13	188	79	83	-4	0		
Aug-23	79	66	+13	201	79	83	-4	0		
Sep-23	83	66	+17	218	83	83	0	0		
Oct-23	83	66	+17	235	83	83	0	0		
Nov-23	83	66	+17	252	83	83	0	0		
Dec-23	83	66	+17	269	83	83	0	0		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The average number of orders received over the previous 12 months (Aug 2021 through Jul 2022) has been 74 per month. But that number has been increasing each year (by 12% from 69 orders per month the previous 12 months) and the expectation is that it will continue to increase. To reflect that, the estimated new orders in this projection increase every six months based on that 12% annual rate.

After the 109 Aid & Assist patients at OSH who are already over the proposed restoration limits have been discharged by the end of February 2023 (indicated by the double line between Feb-23 and Mar-23 in the data table above), and with the limits in place for new admissions, the anticipated average lengths of stay are estimated to generate roughly 83 discharges per month. From this point forward, OSH should be able to maintain compliance with Mink/Bowman as long as new orders don't exceed 83 per month.



 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Based on the average A&A discharges over the last 12 months (Aug 2021 through Jul 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Using the admit list count as of 8/23/22 (75) and adding or subtracting the difference each month.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Assumes OSH will have the estimated 66 discharges per month with an additional 18 per month as the 109 patients who will be over the proposed restoration limits as of 8/31/2022 are discharged over the next 6 months - resulting in a total of 84 discharges per month until all 109 have been discharged. After those 109 patients have been discharged, the estimated discharges per month moving forward (83) are calculated based on the estimated lengths of stay with the proposed restoration limits in place.

# **Oregon State Hospital Census by Unit Type**

# **September 20, 2022**

Unit Type	Number of Units	Total Beds	Managed Occupancy	Current Population	Aid & Assist Population	Civil Population	PSRB & GEI Population	Scheduled Admissions					
SALEM CAMPUS													
Progressive Care (A&A, Civil, PSRB)	14	350	336	332	262	9	61	+3 A&A					
CV-19 PUI/COVID + Admissions (PSRB, A&A, Civil)	1	24	23	16	11		5						
High-Acuity (PSRB, A&A, Civil)	6	124	115	116	101	1	14						
SRTF PSRB	3	90	87	87	33		54						
<b>JUNCTION CITY C</b>	AMPUS												
Progressive Care (PSRB, Civil)	3	75	72	72		3	69						
SRTF PSRB	3	75	72	72			72						
SRTF Totals	6 Units	165 Beds	159 (96.4%)	159 (96.4%)	407	13	275	Total Pop 695 +3					
Available Hospital Level of Care Totals	24 Units	573 Beds	546 (95.3%)	536 (+3) (94%)	+ 3 A&A scheduled			Total scheduled 3					
Total Beds	30 Units	738 Beds	705 (95.5%)	695 (+3) (94.6%)	+77 A&A unscheduled	+14 Civil unscheduled	+3 PSRB/GEI unscheduled	Total Waiting 94					